

The GODAE High Resolution Sea Surface Temperature Pilot Project: **Data Server Requirements**



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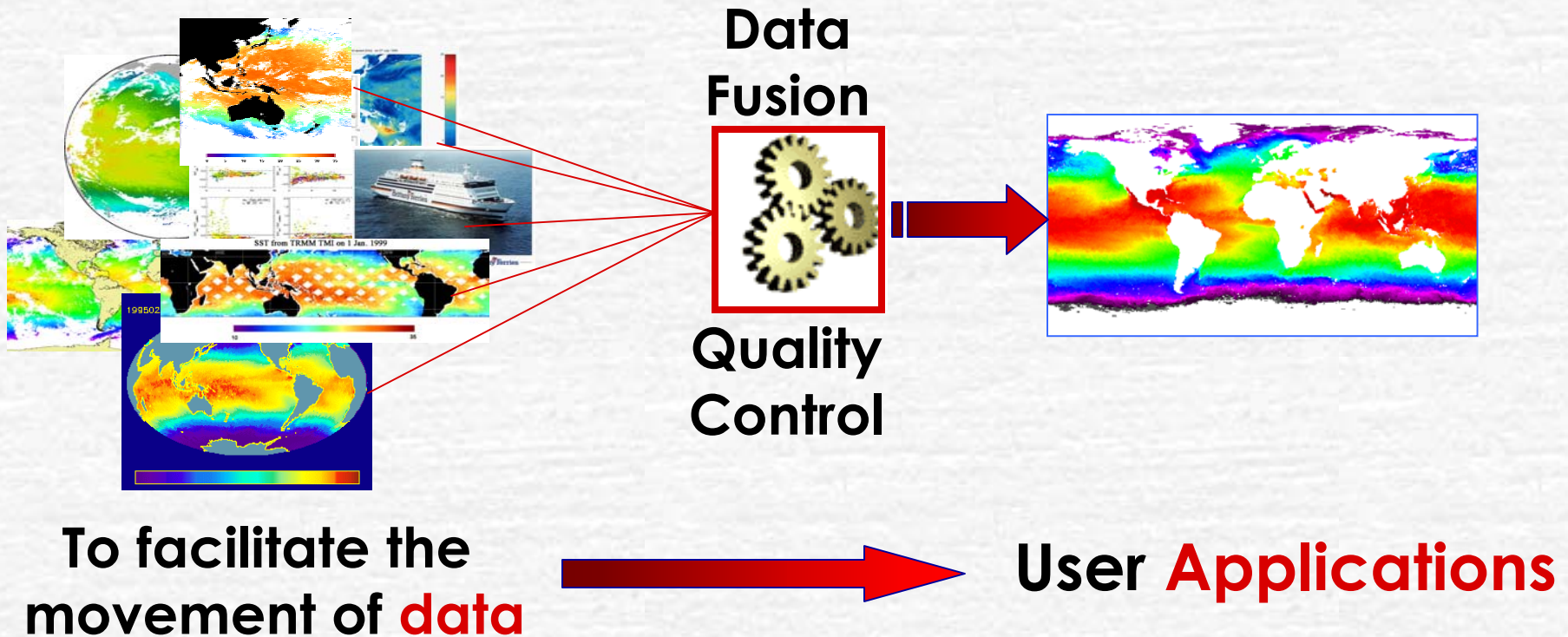
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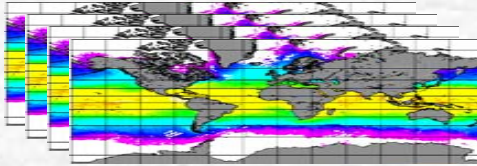
The GHR SST-PP Concept

- ④ In principle, the **merging and analysis** of complementary satellite and in situ measurements can deliver SST products with enhanced accuracy, spatial and temporal coverage.



Data Merging and Data Analysis

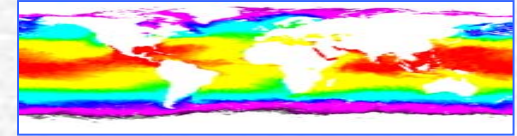
Merged SST



**Data Analysis
(e.g. OI)**



Analyzed SST



A “stack” or collation of different SST data are calibrated, cleared of cloud and then merged to a common grid. Data are assembled in R/T.

Analyzed data products are derived from the merged “stack”.

Ⓢ **Merged SST (output every 6 hrs):**

- Common grid but variable resolution data
- Individual input data error statistics are preserved
- Products are volatile and change when new data arrives
- Moderate level of quality control
- Only merged 6 hourly data are permanent and archived

Ⓢ **Analyzed SST (output every 12 hrs):**

- Single output grid together with confidence data (e.g., diurnal signal)
- High level of quality control
- Error statistics include error of source data and of analysis procedure
- Analyzed data are permanent data that are archived.
- Analysed data will be improved via reanalysis

GHR SST-PP Data Products

Characteristic	Merged SST	Analyzed SST
Grid Size	Better than 10 km	Better than 10 km
Temporal resolution	6 hours	12 hours
Accuracy	< 0.5 K absolute 0.1 K relative	< 0.3 K absolute (target) 0.1 K relative
Error statistics	rms. and bias for each input data stream at every grid point	rms. and bias for each output grid point (no input data statistics are retained)
Coverage	Regional (Best effort Global)	Global (Regional extracted)
SST _{skin} product	Yes	Yes
SST _{sub-skin} product	Yes	Yes
SST _{1m} product	Yes	Yes
Cloud mask	For each input data set	Yes
Confidence data	No	Yes (sea ice information, diurnal warming mask etc.)
Nominal data format	Hdf/GRIB/NetCDF	Hdf/GRIB/NetCDF

Applications and User Services (AUS)

Models, Assimilation, and reanalysis projects

USERS

User Information Services (UIS)

Live Access
Server (LAS)

Data access and
outreach

GHR SST-PP Web
Portal (feedback)

Data Archive

User application
and user services
layer

Global Data Analysis Centres (GDAC's)

In situ and
Satellite
Data
Integration
(ISDI)

ISDI
Technical
Advisory
group
(ISDI-TAG)

Diagnostic
Data Set
(DDS)

Data Product
Computation
Facility
(DPCF)

GHR SST-PP
Metadata
repository
(MDR)

Global data
assembly, merging
and analysis layer
(GODAE specialist
data centre)

Japan
RDAC

R-ISDI
R-DDS

Europe
RDAC

R-ISDI
R-DDS

USA
RDAC

R-ISDI
R-DDS

Regional data
assembly, merging
and analysis layer

Japan:
NGSST
Project

Europe:
Medspiration
project

USA:
Cooperative SST
project

Regional task
sharing project
layer

Regional coverage
satellite and in situ
data
(GMS, MSG, GOES,
AVHRR-LAC, in situ)

Global coverage
satellite and in situ
data
(AVHRR, AMSR/AMSR-
E, AATSR)

GTS

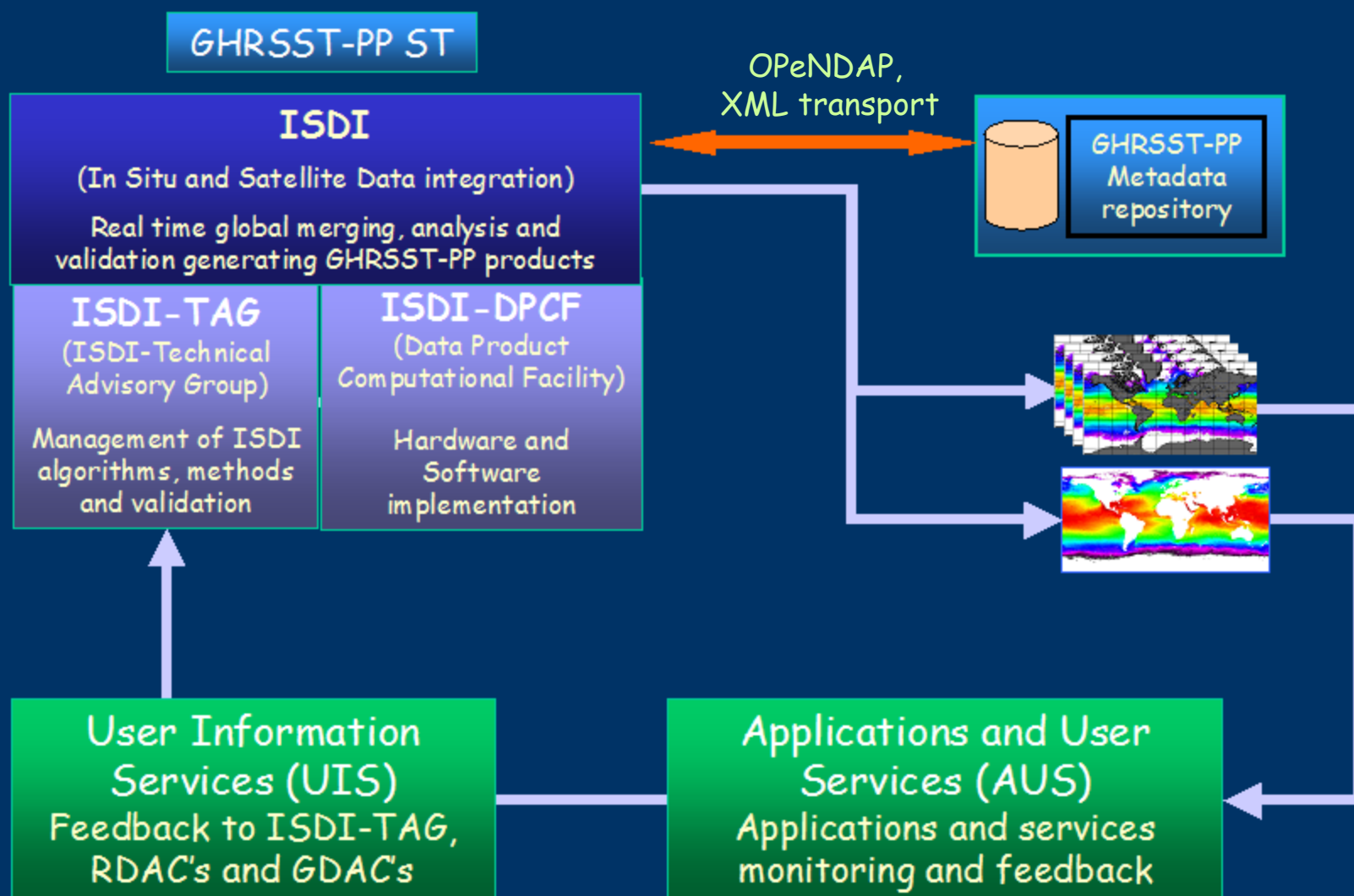
Global and
regional coverage
data provision
layer



GHR SST-PP

*RDAC: Regional Data Assembly Centre

In situ and Satellite Data Integration (ISDI)



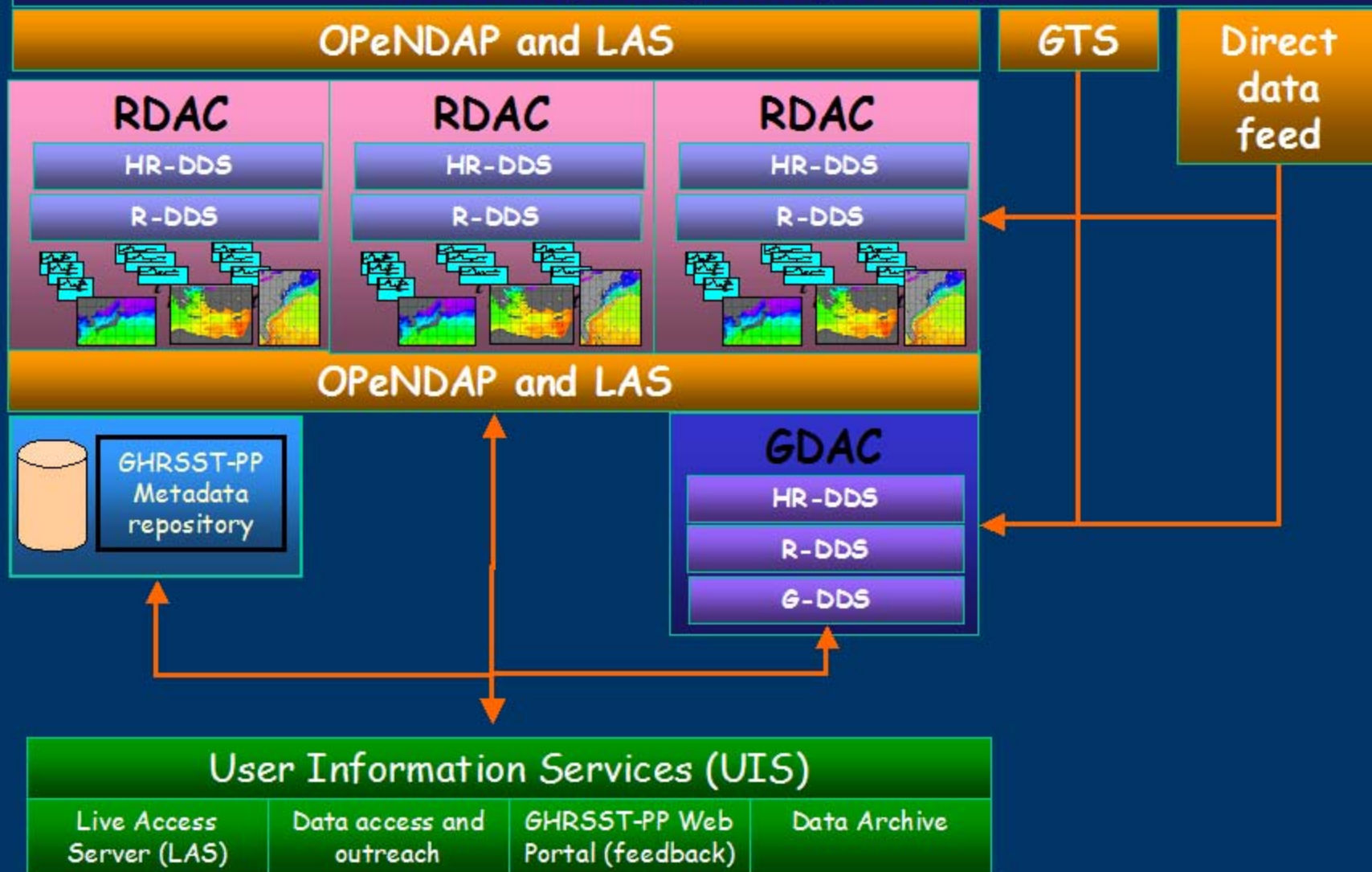
*Scheme is identical for both R-ISDI and G-ISDI

Estimated GHR SST-PP Data Volume

Data set (global)	L1b (multi- ch)	L3 (SST product only)	Frequency	Total (uncompressed)	Retention period
4km (AVHRR, MODIS, GLI)	~2-3Gb	~120Mb	2 x daily	240Mb	24 hrs
18 km (AATSR type)	~2-5Mb	~2Mb	Daily	2Mb	24 hrs
AMSR 25 km	~20Mb	~2Mb	2 x daily	10Mb	24 hrs
TMI (25 km, 8bit)	~3Mb	~1Mb	Daily	1Mb	24 hrs
MSG (~4km)	~0.6Gb	~30Mb	8 x daily	240Mb	6 hrs
GOES (~4km)	~0.6Gb	~30Mb	8 x daily	240Mb	6 hrs
GMS (~4km)	~0.6Gb	~30Mb	8 x daily	240Mb	6 hrs
Buoy & ship	~100Mb	N/A	GTS	100Mb	24 hrs + archive
SSM/I (8bit, wind, sea ice)	~3Mb	~1Mb	Daily	1Mb	24 hrs
Merged GHR SST- pp products	N/A	100-300 Mb	6 hourly	400 – 1.2 Gb(!)	6 hrs + archive
Analyzed GHR SST- pp products	N/A	~250 Mb	12 hourly	500 Mb	12 hrs + archive

GHR SST-PP Diagnostic Data Set (DDS)

Distributed In Situ, Satellite and model data sets (SST, wind, solar radiation, fluxes, SOOP, DBP etc)



The Diagnostic Data Set

- ④ Ultimately, the GHR SST-PP DDS is the primary GHR SST-PP quality control tool
 - Within the project
 - Within the AUS
- ④ The **DDS is a resource for:**
 - **Monitoring** of input satellite data streams
 - Developing **new data merging strategies**, tools and methods
 - For **understanding differences** between complementary data
 - **Validating** and **monitoring** GHR SST-PP data products
- ④ The DDS **may be implemented as a distributed system** linked via the GHR SST-PP metadata repository (e.g., using OPeNDAP and LAS)

GHR SST-PP Data Movements

Types of data movement in GHR SST-PP

- **Data provider > RDAC and GDAC** (Dedicated links + GTS)
 - High volume and frequency (<3 hrs for geostationary feeds)
- **RDAC > GDAC** (Dedicated links + GTS)
 - High volume low frequency (6 hrs for data merging)
- **DDS <> RDAC || GDAC** (use OPeNDAP and LAS)
 - Low volume high frequency (whenever available)
- **DPCF operations** (external links and visualisation LAS and OPeNDAP)
 - Movement of data within system but linked to DDS and satellite data holdings
- **GHR SST-PP > Users and Applications** (use OPeNDAP and LAS)
 - Analyzed fields: Low volume, moderate frequency (12 hrs)
 - Merged fields: High volume, moderate frequency (6 hrs)

Main Data Server Issue

- ④ **Merged SST** data place the **highest demands** for the GHRSSST-PP
 - Geostationary data sets are large and frequent (can be every hour)
 - Data is required at the GDAC to “patch” the areas not covered by the RDAC
 - Also the data sets most useful to GODAE !!

- ④ LAS and OPeNDAP will suffice for many operations but dedicated links are required within the GHRSSST-PP.

Data Transport Operations

- **Automatic product subscription push/pull feeds to Applications**
 - Merged and analysed products: high volume, 6hrs
 - What is the general **preferred format** (no single solution)
 - Interoperable tools are required for format conversion
- **Manual and automatic DDS feed/manipulation**
 - OPeNDAP between RDAC & GDAC
 - OPeNDAP access Individual analyses by scientists
 - Direct feed and GTS
- **DPCF operations**
 - Internal to system but linked to data resources at GDAC, RDAC and DDS.
- **Ad hoc data visualisation/ordering/product supply**
 - Low volume, low frequency (6hrs) linked to UIS and AUS
 - LAS (Custom composites and visualisation)

GHR SST-PP Metadata

- ④ Adhere to metadata standards (..?)
 - Follow GODAE policy (which is ...?)
 - Should be fully interoperable (e.g., OPeNDAP, GCMD)
 - Should use XML based packaging
- ④ Metadata will be produced for **all** data and operations
 - Ingestion, DDS, products, merging and analysis
 - Metadata will be automatically created and sent to GDAC
 - Source metadata to remain with data
- ④ Central repository at GDAC and mirrored at RDAC
 - Master and slave arrangement or simple mirror
 - **Timeliness is critical**
- ④ Should be accessible via web and direct access
 - Web for general user data search at UIS/AUS
 - Direct access for operational access (AUS)
 - **Should be a tool and not a burden !**

GHR SST-PP data server requirements

- ④ Need dedicated links for GHR SST-PP GDAC<> data providers and RDAC
 - High data volume for Merged products
 - Timely data supply
- ④ DDS as a distributed archive
 - Use OPeNDAP and LAS
- ④ UIS at multiple data centers
 - RDAC, GDAC, PODAAC, JMO etc.
 - Use OPeNDAP and LAS
- ④ AUS projects linked to UIS interface
 - Dedicated subscription push feeds as required
 - OPeNDAP and LAS for pull feeds

GHRST-PP server status

- @ First GHRST-PP GDAC will be at the US GODAE Monterrey data server
 - Linked to GHRST-PP DPCF
- @ Japanese RDAC
 - NASDA AMSR, AMSR/E data server
 - NASDA/EORC/JMA/University of Tohoku
- @ European RDAC
 - ESA “Medspiration”

GHRST-PP example DDS locations

